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and Applicant

van Lengerich

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For

ENCAPSULATION OF SENSITIVE LIQUID COMPONENTS

INTO A MATRIX TO OBTAIN DISCRETE SHELF-STABLE

PARTICLES

AMENDMENT AND SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW WITH THE EXAMINER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on July 5, 2001, and pursuant to an August 14, 2001 Interview with Examiner Edward Webman, please enter the following amendments and reconsider the rejections outstanding on the record in view of the following:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, before the first paragraph, please insert the following paragraph:

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This application claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of provisional application nos. 60/103,700 filed October 9, 1998 in the name of Bernhard H. van Lengerich, for "Encapsulation of Liquid Heat Sensitive Components Into Discrete Particles", and 60/109,696 filed November 24, 1998 in the name of Bernhard H. van

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